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1. YOU SHOULD ISSUE SUPPLEMENT TO PRESS RELEASE #320 USING
GOVERNOR LUCEY'S INTRODUCTION AND Q'S AND A'S.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF PATRICK J. LUCEY'S INTRODUCTION:

REMARKS BY GOVERNOR PATRICK J. LUCEY

AT

DINNER FOR SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER

MONDAY, JULY 14, 1975

9:00 PM

MARC PLAZA HOTEL

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CAROL.

IT'S BOTH A PRIVILEGE AND A PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO
INTRODUCE SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER TONIGHT. BUT THAT DOESN'T
MAKE IT EASY.

AFTER ALL, WHAT MORE COULD POSSIBLY BE SAID ABOUT A MAN
WHO IN LESS THAN A WEEK WILL HAVE VISITED THE SOVIET FOREIGN
MINISTER, THE CHANCELLOR WEST GERMANY, THE ISRAELI PRIM
MINISTER, THE BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY, THE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE,
THROWN OUT THE FIRST PITCH AT THE ALL-STAR GAME....AND HAD HIS
GARBAGE STOLEN BY A NEWSPAPER REPORTER?

BY THE WAY, I NOTICE THAT THE KISSINGER SHUTTLE IS STILL

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IN MOTION. FROM MILWAUKEE, HE'LL GO TO MINNEAPOLIS AND THEN BACK

AGAIN TO MILWAUKEE. I DON'T WANT THERE TO BE ANY MISUNDERSTANDING AS A RESULT OF THAT SCHEDULE. WISCONSIN AND MINNESOTA ARE PERFECTLY HAPPY WITH THEIR BORDER AS IT IS NOW.

MOST EVERYONE LIKES TO FANCY THEMSELF AN ARMCHAIR EXPERT IN FOREIGN POLICY. GOVERNORS ARE PROBABLY AMONG THE MOST NOTORIOUS OFFENDERS. DESPITE THAT FLAW IN OUR CHARACTER, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SENT A GROUP OF US TO THE SOVIET UNION NOT LONG AGO. AND I'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO TONIGHT'S DINNER TO REASSURE DR. KISSINGER THAT HE MUST BE DOING SOMETHING RIGHT.

WHEN DETENTE HAS WITHSTOOD THE ONSLAUGHT OF EIGHT TOURING GOVERNORS, IT HAS PASSED THE ACID TEST.

THERE ARE MORE THAN A THOUSAND PEOPLE HERE TONIGHT. TWICE AS MANY WOULD'VE COME HAD THERE BEEN ENOUGH ROOM. THE PROGRAM IS BEING TELEVISED LIEVE. AND SIX OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CITY AND THE STATE HAVE JOINED THE UNIVERSITY'S INSTITUTE OF WORLD AFFAIRS IN SPONSORING SECRETARY KISSINGER'S VISIT. ALL OF THAT'S AN INDICATION OF THE STRONG AND PERSISTENT INTEREST THAT PEOPLE IN THE MIDWEST, PEOPLE IN WISCONSIN, HAVE IN WORLD AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN POLICY.

IT HASN'T ALWAYS BEEN THAT WAY. THERE WAS A TIME WHEN THE SENTIMENT IN THIS PART OF THE COUNTRY WAS STARKLY ISOLATIONIST, A TIME WHEN MANY PEOPLE--AND MANY OF THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS WHO REPRESENTED THEM--FELT THAT THE BEST FOREIGN POLICY WAS VIRTUALLY NO FOREIGN POLICY AT ALL. WITH THE FAILURE OF 20 YEARS OF AMERICAN POLICY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, THERE MAY STILL BE A TEMPTATION TO REVIVE THAT SENTIMENT. BUT IT WOULD BE NEITHER DESIRABLE NOR EVEN POSSIBLE.

HERE IN WISCONSIN, WE CANNOT IGNORE THE FATE OR THE POLICIES OF OTHER NATIONS BECAUSE THEY ARE PART OF OUR PAST. THE GERMAN-AMERICANS, THE POLISH-AMERICANS, THE SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICANS...FRENCH, BELGIANS, ITALIANS, AND EVEN AN OCCASIONAL IRISHMAN...ALL HAVE GIVEN THIS STATE A PROUD HERITAGE.

BUT MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE PAST, WE CANNOT IGNORE OTHER NATIONS BECAUSE THEY ARE PART OF OUR FUTURE.

THE WORLD IS GROWING SMALLER AND INCREASINGLY INTERDEPENDENT. A HANDFUL OF NATIONS CONTROL THE PRICE AND SUPPLY OF MUCH OF THE WORLD'S OIL. AND AN EVEN SMALLER NUMBER, INCLUDING THIS COUNTRY, CONTROLS MUCH OF THE WORLD'S FOOD SUPPLY. WISCONSIN, MORE THAN MOST STATES, DEPENDS ON FOREIGN TRADE FOR A SIGNIFICANT PART OF ITS PROSPERITY. WE EXPORT MORE THAN A BILLION DOLLARS

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IN MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT EVERY YEAR. IN ADDITION, INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREEMENTS HELP PROTECT THE WELL-BEING OF OUR DAIRY INDUSTRY.

ALL OF THAT'S REASON ENOUGH FOR A STRONG AND ACTIVE INTEREST IN FOREIGN POLICY. BUT THERE'S A MORE COMPELLING ONE. EVERY ONE OF US HAS A VERY PERSONAL STAKE IN THE DIRECTION OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY BECAUSE ITS GOAL IS WORLD PEACE. NOTHING CAN BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT.

WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE GLOBAL SHORTAGE OF RESOURCES, THE GROWTH OF MULTI-NATIONAL CORPORATIONS, AND THE UNCHECKED SPREAD OF THE ARMS TRADE. AND JUST AS WITH DOMESTIC POLICY, WE EXPECT THE PEOPLE WHO REPRESENT US IN FOREIGN RELATIONS TO HEED THOSE CONCERNS AND TO SET A DIRECTION IN FOREIGN POLICY THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH OUR DEMOCRATIC AND MORAL HERITAGE.

HENRY KISSINGER IS NOT THE FIRST SECRETARY OF STATE TO TAKE FOREIGN POLICY TO THE PEOPLE. BUT THE EXTENT OF HIS RECENT TRAVELS IN THIS COUNTRY INDICATES THE IMPORTANCE HE PLACES ON PUBLIC SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT FOREIGN POLICY. IN WISCONSIN, I KNOW THAT WE WELCOME THAT ROLE.

IN HIS TENURE AS SECRETARY OF STATE, HENRY KISSINGER HAS BEEN PRAISED AND VILIFIED. HE HAS KNOWN SPLENDID SUCCESS AND SERIOUS FRUSTRATION. BUT BOTH HIS STAUCHEST SUPPORTERS AND HIS SEVEREST CRITICS SURELY AGREE ON ONE THING: HE IS WITHOUT QUESTION THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY DIPLOMAT IN THIS COUNTRY'S HISTORY. WE ARE HONORED BY HIS PRESENCE HERE THIS EVENING. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

3. BEGIN TEXT OF Q'S AND A'S FOLLOWING SECRETARY'S SPEECH.

QUESTION: THE QUESTION IS -- HAS THE UNITED STATES RECENTLY SHIFTED ITS POSITION TOWARDS DEVELOPING A FIRST-STRIKE NUCLEAR CAPABILITY?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: BEFORE I ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, I WANTED TO MAKE ONE REMARK ABOUT SOME OF THE PEOPLE AT THE HEAD TABLE HERE.

FOR THOSE OF US IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, CLOSE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE EXECUTIVE AND THE LEGISLATIVE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN CRUCIALLY IMPORTANT. AND I WANTED TO TAKE THE OCCASION TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE SENIOR RANKING DEMOCRAT ON THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE AFTER THE CHAIRMAN, YOUR CONGRESSMAN FROM MILWAUKEE, CLEM ZABLOCKI, WHO HAS BEEN OF ENORMOUS ASSISTANCE

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IN HELPING US PUT FORWARD WHAT WE CONSIDER USEFUL FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVES, AND WHO HAS NOT, I MUST POINT OUT, HESITATED TO HARASS US WHEN HE WRONGLY THOUGHT WE WERE WRONG. (LAUGHTER; APPLAUSE)

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AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SAY A WORD FOR ONE OF THAT RARE BREED, THE FEW REPUBLICANS THAT ARE LEFT IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MR. KASTEN, ON MY RIGHT WHO -- AND WHEN ANY MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH SAYS ANYTHING FRIENDLY ABOUT A FRESHMAN THESE DAYS, IT IS AN ACCIDENT. (LAUGHTER) BUT IN HIS BRIEF TENURE IN WASHINGTON, I HAVE KNOWN HIM AS A SUPPORTER OF ENLIGHTENED FOREIGN POLICIES, WHO HAS NOT HESITATED, I REGRET TO SAY, TO CRITICIZE US. BUT WE WILL TEACH HIM. (LAUGHTER; APPLAUSE) YOU NOTICE I DID NOT SAY THAT ABOUT ZABLOCKI. (LAUGHTER) NOW, WITH RESPECT TO YOUR QUESTION.

I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS CHANGED ITS BASIC POLICY WITH RESPECT TO FIRST STRIKE. IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE UNITED STATES' POLICY THAT IN CERTAIN EXTREME CIRCUMSTANCES, IF THE NATIONAL SURVIVAL WAS AT STAKE OR IF THE SURVIVAL OF OUR CLOSE ALLIES, ESPECIALLY EUROPE, WERE AT STAKE, AND IF NO OTHER MEANS WERE AVAILABLE, THAT THE UNITED STATES MIGHT HAVE TO BE THE FIRST TO RESORT TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

IF YOU LOOK AT THE STATEMENTS OF PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE SINCE THE FIFTIES, THIS HAS BEEN A SETTLED AMERICAN DOCTRINE. IT HAS RECENTLY BEEN STATED MORE ELEGANTLY THAN IN THE PAST AND THEREFORE HAS ATTRACTED NEW ATTENTION. BUT IT IS NOT A NEW AMERICAN POLICY.

QUESTION: MR. SECRETARY, WHAT IMPORTANCE, OTHER THAN CEREMONIAL, DO YOU ATTACH TO THE COMING JULY 30 EAST-WEST SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN HELSINKI?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE HAS BEEN IN PROGRESS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. AND IN THAT PERIOD, IT HAS ATTEMPTED TO ESTABLISH A BALANCE BETWEEN THE CONCERNS OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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EAST, WHICH DEALT PRIMARILY WITH THE ACCEPTANCE OF FRONTIERS, AND THE CONCERNS OF THE WEST, WHICH CONCERNED PRIMARILY A RECOGNITION THAT PEACEFUL CHANGE WAS NOT PRECLUDED BY THE EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCES, AND THAT AN EASING OF HUMAN CONTACTS WITH THE EAST WAS IN PROSPECT.

I BELIEVE THAT THE FINAL DOCUMENT THAT HAS BEEN NEGOTIATED ACHIEVES A BALANCE BETWEEN THESE TWO OBJECTIVES. THE MEETING AT

THE SUMMIT IN HELSINKI WILL SYMBOLIZE THIS AND WILL GIVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE VARIOUS HEADS OF GOVERNMENT TO EXCHANGE IDEAS ON MANY OTHER PROBLEMS GOING FAR BEYOND THE SECURITY CONFERENCE.

THE SECURITY CONFERENCE SHOULD NOT BE OVER-ESTIMATED AS MARKING A DECISIVE TURN. IT IS ONE STEP IN A PROGRESS TOWARDS THE EASING OF TENSIONS.

QUESTION: MR. SECRETARY, WILL YOU EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN YOUR PLAN TO DISENGAGE THE ARABS AND ISRAELIS AND THE UN RESOLUTION 242 SIGNED BY THE BIG POWERS THE WAR BEFORE LAST, AND DO YOU BELIEVE THE TWO SIDES PREFER YOUR PLAN TO THE UN 242?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: WELL, IT IS HARD FOR ME TO IMAGINE THAT ANYONE WOULD NOT PREFER MY PLAN. (LAUGHTER; APPLAUSE)

BUT THE TWO APPROACHES ARE NOT INCONSISTENT WITH EACH OTHER.

THERE ARE TWO GENERAL WAYS ONE CAN GET AT THE SOLUTION OF THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM. ONE IS TO ATTEMPT IN ONE GRAND NEGOTIATION TO SETTLE ALL ISSUES SIMULTANEOUSLY -- FRONTIERS, PALESTINIANS GUARANTEES, OBLIGATIONS OF PEACE AND SO FORTH. THIS WOULD BE THE MOST DESIRABLE ROUTE, BUT IT IS ALSO THE MOST COMPLICATED, BECAUSE THE MOST EXTREME ELEMENTS MAY DOMINATE THE DEBATE AND BECAUSE OUTSIDE POWERS MAY ALSO BRING PRESSURE ON THE DISCUSSION.

THE OTHER APPROACH IS TO TRY TO ISOLATE INDIVIDUAL ISSUES, DEAL WITH THEM ONE AT A TIME UNTIL ONE HAS REACHED A POINT WHERE THIS SO-CALLED STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH COULD NO LONGER BE FEASIBLE, AND THEN ATTEMPT TO HAVE THE OVERALL NEGOTIATION.

WE HAVE BELIEVED THAT THE DISTRUST AMONG THE COUNTRIES

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WAS SO GREAT, THE ISSUES SO COMPLICATED, THAT TO DEAL WITH THEM ALL SIMULTANEOUSLY HAD AN UNACCEPTABLE RISK TO PRODUCE A STALEMATE AND THEREFORE AN UNACCEPTABLE RISK OF A MIDDLE EAST WAR. AND IN

A WAY, THE COMPLEXITY OF EVEN A SINGLE NEGOTIATION TENDS TO SUPPORT THIS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, IF WE SHOULD SUCCEED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS NOW GOING ON, IT IS HIGHLY PROBABLE THAT THE NEXT PHASE WILL DEAL WITH AN OVERALL SETTLEMENT.

SO WHAT I HAVE BEEN DOING UP TO NOW SHOULD BE LOOKED AT AS A PREPARATORY PHASE TO THE OVERALL SETTLEMENT THAT WAS FORESEEN BY SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 242 AND 338.

QUESTION: MR. CHAIRMAN, GIVEN THE THREAT OF THE SOVIET BASE IN SOMALIA, DO YOU BELIEVE THIS FACT WILL GIVE CONGRESS ADDED IMPETUS TO APPROVE FUNDS FOR A NAVAL BASE AT DIEGO GARCIA IN THE INDIAN OCEAN?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: I HAD TROUBLE UNDERSTANDING THE QUESTION. WOULD YOU REPEAT IT?

QUESTION: THE SOVIET UNION HAS A NEW MILITARY BASE IN SOMALIA. DO YOU THINK THIS FACT WILL GIVE CONGRESS ADDED IMPETUS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR A NAVAL BASE AT DIEGO GARCIA IN THE INDIAN OCEAN?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: THE VISITS BY TWO CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES TO SOMALIA SEEM TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSITION THAT THERE IS A SOVIET FACILITY IN SOMALIA. AND THEREFORE IT WOULD BE MY IMPRESSION THAT IT WOULD TEND TO STRENGTHEN THE CASE FOR THE BASE IN DIEGO GARCIA THAT THE ADMINISTRATION HAS PROPOSED.

I WOULD LIKE TO ADD, HOWEVER, THAT THE CASE FOR THE BASE AT DIEGO GARCIA RESTS NOT ONLY ON THE SOVIET FACILITY IN UNCLASSIFIED

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SOMALIA, BUT IT RESTS ALSO ON THE GENERAL NECESSITIES OF AMERICAN STRATEGY ON A GLOBAL BASIS AND THEREFORE HAS MORE JUSTIFICATION THAN SIMPLY THE BASE IN SOMALIA, EVEN THOUGH THAT IS A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR.

QUESTION: MR. SECRETARY, IN THE EVENT OF ANOTHER MIDDLE EAST WAR, WOULD YOU SUPPORT DIRECT AMERICAN MILITARY INVOLVMENT TO SUPPORT ISRAEL?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: ISRAEL HAS NEVER ASKED FOR DIRECT AMERICAN MILITARY INVOLVEMENT AND HAS ALWAYS ASKED TO BE GIVEN SUFFICIENT ARMS TO TAKE CARE OF ITSELF. THEREFORE, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS ISSUE WILL ARISE IN ANOTHER MIDDLE EAST WAR. NEVERTHELESS, ANOTHER MIDDLE EAST WAR IS SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE EVERY INCENTIVE TO AVOID BECAUSE IT WOULD CREATE UNACCEPTABLE PRESSURES ON OUR RELATIONS WITH WESTERN EUROPE AND JAPAN AND HIGH RISK OF CONFRONTATION WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

THE UNITED STATES HAS TAKEN THE POSITION THAT WE WOULD RESIST OUTSIDE INTERVENTION IN THE AREA. BUT WE HAVE ALSO TAKEN THE POSITION THAT THE BEST WAY TO AVOID THESE CONTINGENCIES IS TO MAKE STEADY PROGRESS TOWARDS PEACE.

QUESTION: MR. SECRETARY, WHAT ARE THE MINIMUM DEMANDS OF PRESIDENT SADAT IN ORDER TO RENEW THE UN PEACE-KEEPING AGREEMENT?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: WELL, THE EGYPTIAN POSITION HAS BEEN TO TIE A RENEWAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS MANDATE TO PROGRESS

IN THE ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN NEGOTIATIONS. THAT DECISION WILL HAVE TO BE MADE BY JULY 24. AND NO ONE CAN SURVIVE WHO MAKES A PREDICTION IN THE MIDDLE EAST WHICH CAN BE PROVED RIGHT OR WRONG IN SUCH A SHORT PERIOD.

QUESTION: MR. SECRETARY, SOME OF US IN THE UNITED STATES FEEL THAT POWER AND FORCE IS NO LONGER THE BEST MEANS TO SOLVE WORLD PROBLEMS, EVEN AS THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMERS FELT. WHAT

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CAN THE ORDINARY CITIZEN DO TO ASSURE THAT OUR GOVERNMENT WILL BEGIN TO USE THE BEST MINDS AND BEST HOPES TO SOLVE THESE VERY COMPLEX PROBLEMS? COULD WE NOT SEEK OUT A DOZEN OF THE BEST MINDS IN EACH STATE, TO POOL THEIR WISDOM, TO AID IN THE SUPPORT OF PEACEFUL MEANS WITHIN THE REALM OF THE UNITED NATIONS?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: I AGREE WITH YOU THAT UNDER CONTEMPORARY CONDITIONS, FORCE IS NOT AN ADEQUATE MEANS FOR SETTling INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES. BUT I THINK IT IS ALSO UNFORTUNATELY TRUE THAT AS LONG AS OTHER COUNTRIES MAINTAIN STRONG FORCES, THE ONLY WAY THIS CAN BE ACHIEVED IS BY THE UNITED STATES MAINTAINING ITS OWN STRENGTH.

NOW, IS IT POSSIBLE TO AVOID THIS THREAT BY SOME COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO THE PROBLEM, EITHER THROUGH GOVERNMENT OR BY BRINGING IN OUTSIDE MINDS. AS A FORMER PROFESSOR, I FIND IT TEMPTING TO THINK THAT SOMEWHERE OUT THERE ARE TWELVE PEOPLE IN EACH COUNTRY WHO, IF THEY COULD ONLY BE CONSULTED, WOULD

SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS. I FRANKLY DO NOT THINK THAT IS THE CASE. I DO NOT DOUBT THAT THERE ARE OUTSTANDING PEOPLE IN THE WORLD WHO ARE NOT BEING SUFFICIENTLY CONSULTED. BUT I THINK THE PROBLEM OF WAR AND PEACE AND THE ELIMINATION OF WAR AND THE REDUCTION OF THE RELIANCE ON FORCE REQUIRE A SLOW, PATIENT, PERSEVERING EFFORT. AND I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT IT CAN BE ACHIEVED IN ONE GRAND SOLUTION WRITTEN BY A GROUP OF OUTSIDERS, UNCLASSIFIED

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HOWEVER BRILLIANT THEY ARE. I WON'T HAVE THAT VIEW, THOUGH, AFTER I HAVE LEFT THIS POSITION (LAUGHTER; APPLAUSE).

QUESTION: WE JUST WANT TO HELP YOU ALONG A LITTLE BIT.

SECRETARY KISSINGER: DR. BAUMANN SAYS I WILL TAKE ONE MORE QUESTION FROM THE FLOOR AND THEN ONE FROM THE HEAD TABLE.

ALL RIGHT -- PLEASE; WHOEVER IS NEXT.

QUESTION: MR. SECRETARY, HOW LONG WILL IT BE UNTIL WE RE-ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH CUBA?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: HOW LONG WILL IT BE? WE HAVE PUBLICLY STATED THAT HOSTILITY TO CUBA IS NOT AN ORGANIC ASPECT OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY, AND THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO HAVE SERIOUS EXCHANGES WITH CUBA ON THE BASIS OF RECIPROCITY. WE HAVE MADE SOME GESTURES. RECENTLY CUBA HAS MADE SOME GESTURES IN OUR DIRECTION. BUT THEY HAVE SO FAR MOSTLY CONCERNED ATMOSPHERICS. WE ARE PREPARED TO BEGIN A DIALOGUE WITH CUBA, AND ONCE THAT IS IN PROGRESS, WE CAN JUDGE BETTER WHAT THE POSSIBILITIES ARE FOR IMPROVING OUR RELATIONSHIPS.

DR. BAUMANN: I'M SORRY, BUT WE ARE AT THE LIMIT OF OUR TIME. ONE OF THE PREROGATIVES OF THE CHAIR IS TO CHANGE THE FORMAT. AND THERE WAS A VERY GOOD QUESTION THAT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK DR. KISSINGER WHICH CAME FROM THE HEAD TABLE.

HAVING RESPONDED TO THE MANY CONCERNS OVER CRISIS AREAS THIS EVENING, COULD YOU PERHAPS CLOSE THIS INFORMATIVE SESSION WITH AN OPTIMISTIC NOTE, REFLECTING THE BRIGHTER AREAS AND SOME OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT INFLUENCE THE PRESENT U.S. POSITION AND OUR FUTURE.

SECRETARY KISSINGER: I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE WORLD RIGHT NOW IS IN THE PROCESS OF TRANSITION FROM THE POST-WAR PERIOD, IN WHICH WESTERN EUROPE AND JAPAN WERE IMPOTENT AS A RESULT OF THE WAR, IN WHICH COMMUNISM WAS MONOLITHIC, TO A PERIOD IN WHICH WESTERN EUROPE AND JAPAN LARGELY AS A RESULT OF OUR OWN EFFORTS, OF OUR OWN CONTRIBUTION -- OR TO A CONSIDERABLE EXTENT AS A RESULT OF OUR

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OWN CONTRIBUTION -- HAVE RECOVERED THEIR STRENGTH AND SELF-CONFIDENCE TO A CONSIDERABLE EXTENT, AND IN WHICH THE COMMUNIST WORLD HAS FRAGMENTED ITSELF INTO COMPETING CENTERS. AND ALSO THAT WE ARE LIVING IN A WORLD, AS I SAID IN MY SPEECH, THAT IS GROWING EVERY MORE INTERDEPENDENT. SO THE COMMOT TN AT WE ARE WITNESSING IS THE BIRTH OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM, IN WHICH, ON THE WHOLE, CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS IS BEING MADE. AMERICA'S RELATIONS WITH WESTERN EUROPE AND JAPAN HAVE NEVER BEEN BETTER; AND NOT JUST ON ISSUES OF COMMON DEFENSE, BUT ALSO IN RELATIONSHIP TO THE ISSUES OF ENERGY, RAW MATERIALS AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE HUMAN CONDITION.

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION IS STILL AN ADVERSARY RELATIONSHIP. NEVERTHELESS WE HAVE FOR THE FIRST TIME BEGUN TO LIMIT STRATEGIC ARMS, AND WE HOPE BY THE END OF THIS YEAR, OR CERTAINLY IN THE NEAR FUTURE, WE WILL CONCLUDE A COMPREHENSIVE AGREEMENT WHICH FOR THE FIRST TIME WILL PUT A CEILING ON STRATEGIC WEAPONS AND THEREFORE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE THE POSSIBILITIES OF NUCLEAR CONFLAGRATION.

WE HAVE ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

WITH ALL THE DEBATES THAT ARE NOW GOING ON, WE THINK THERE IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO WORK OUT TOGETHER WITH THE NEW NATIONS A NEW APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT WHICH WILL FOR THE FIRST TIME CREATE A TRUE WORLD COMMUNITY.
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SO I BELIEVE THAT OUR FOREIGN POLICY IS BASICALLY MAKING
PROGRESS, AND THAT WE CAN LOOK BACK TO THIS PERIOD AS ONE IN
WHICH TENSIONS WERE EASED AND A NEW INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM WAS
BEING CREATED ADMIST MUCH TURMOIL, WITH MANY FRUSTRATIONS,
BUT ON THE WHOLE ONE THAT WILL CREATE A SAFER AND BETTER WORLD
FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. (APPLAUSE)

DR. BAUMANN: MR. SECRETARY, THAT ENTHUSIASTIC APPLAUSE IS
BUT A SMALL INDICATION OF OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE CANDOR WITH
WHICH YOU SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS WITH US, THE SPARKLE OF YOUR
WIT, AND THE TIME YOU SO GENEROUSLY SPENT IN ANSWERING OUR
QUESTIONS.

ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE HERE, OUR SINCERE THANKS.

GOOD EVENING.

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